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Dear Mr. Jaffe:

I am writing to urge you to you support the petition to ban the forced molting of layer hens (docket 98P-0203/CP). Forced molting is so cruel that in 1987, it was banned in Great Britain, and most European countries do not allow food deprivation for more than 24 hours. Yet, in North America, no laws protect these poor birds, and as you read this, more than 6 million hens are being force-molted.

Sincerely,

Gabrielle Koeferl

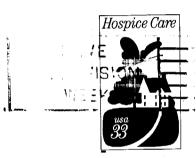
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